

## Teacher-Child Ratio within Group Size for Childcare

AGE GROUP	GROUP SIZE										GROUP SIZE MAX
	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	
<b>Infants</b> (birth to 15 months)	1:3	1:4									8
<b>Toddler/Twos</b> (12 to 36 months)											
12-28 months	1:3	1:4	1:4 <sup>3</sup>	1:4							12
21-36 months		1:4	1:5	1:6							12
<b>Preschool</b>											
2.5-year olds to 3-year-olds (30-48 months) :				1:6	1:7	1:8	1:9				18
4-year-olds						1:8	1:9	1:10			20
<b>Before and After School Age (School-age eligible)</b>											
5-10 year olds								1:15			20
10+ year olds								1:20			20

### Notes:

- In a mixed-age preschool childcare class of 2.5-year-olds to 5-year-olds, no more than four children between the ages of 2.5 years and 3 years may be enrolled. The ratios within group size for the predominant age group apply. If infants or toddlers are in a mixed-age group, the ratio for the youngest child applies.
- Ratios are to be lower when one or more children in the group need additional adult assistance to fully participate in the program because of ability, language fluency, developmental age or stage or other factors
- *A group or classroom* refers to the number of children who are assigned for most of the day to a teacher or a team of teaching staff and who occupy an individual classroom or well-defined space that prevents intermingling of children from different groups within a larger room or area.
- Group sizes as stated are ceilings, regardless of the number of staff.

<sup>3</sup>Group sizes of 10 for this age group would require an additional adult.